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35c per packet or 3 for \$1.00 unless otherwise noted. Prices on larger quantities quoted on request. All seeds except bulk are postpaid. Residents of Michigan add 3% sales tax.

ACTAEA ALBA — WHITE BANEBERRY. Glossy white berries tipped with black dot.

ACTINOMERIS ALTERNIFOLIA — WINGSTEM. 1 - 2 in. yellow flowers. Autumn.

ADLUMIA FUNGOSA — MOUNTAIN-FRIDGE. Bien. Pink bleeding hearts all summer.

AGASTACHE FOENICULUM — GIANT HYSSOP. Anise scented plant. Blue.

ALETRIS FARINOSA — COLIC-ROOT. White. Moist location.

AMSONIA TABERNAEMONTANA — BLUE STAR OF TEXAS. Soft blue.

AQUILEGIA CANADENSIS — AMERICAN COLUMBINE. Red and yellow.

AQUILEGIA CANADENSIS NANA. Rare dwarf form of American Columbine.....50

AQUILEGIA CHRYSANTHA — GOLDEN COLUMBINE. Long spurred pale yellow.

AQUILEGIA COERULEA — COLORADO COLUMBINE. Long spurred blue and white.

AQUILEGIA LONGISSIMA — PALE YELLOW. Very long spurred.

AQUILEGIA SKINNERI — MEXICAN COLUMBINE. Greenish orange, red spurs.

ARGEMONE INTERMEDIA — PRICKLY POPPY. 3 - 4 in. white flowers all summer.

ARISAEMA TRIPHYLLUM — JACK-IN-THE-PULPIT. Moist shade.

ARUNCUS SYLVESTER — GOAT'S BEARD. Handsome 4 - 6 ft. border plant.

ASCLEPIAS TUBEROSA — BUTTERFLY WEED. Orange. Summer.

ASTER ALPINUS — ROCK ASTER. Dwarf compact plant. Violet blue flowers in early spring.

ASTER KUMLEINI. Blue or purple, gold centered. Fall. 12-15 in.

ASTER LINARIIFOLIUS — BRISTLY ASTER. Good 6 - 18 in. fall aster.

BAPTISIA AUSTRALIS — BLUE INDIGO. Terminal racemes of blue flowers. June 6 ft.

BAPTISIA TINCTORIA — YELLOW INDIGO. Bright yellow. 2 - 4 ft.

CALLIRHOE INVOLUCRATA — WINE POPPY. Rose-purple, spring until frost. Beautiful trailer.

CAMASSIA ESCULENTA — WILD HYACINTH. Erect spikes of blue in spring. 1-2 ft.

CAMPANULA ROTUNDIFOLIA — BLUE BELLS OF SCOTLAND. Pale blue.

CAMPANULA ROTUNDIFOLIA OLYMPICA. A large flowered, dwarf blue bells.

CASSIA MARILANDICA — WILD SENNA. Bright yellow. July-August.

- CASTILLEJA COCCINEA** — PAINTBRUSH. Bien. Scarlet and pale yellow. 1 - 2 ft.
- CERASTIUM ALPINUM LANATUM** — MOUSE-EAR CHICKWEED. white. Woolly rosette.
- CHRYSOPSIS FALCATA** — SICKLE-LEAF GOLDEN ASTER. More dwarf and compact than mariana.
- CIMICIFUGA RACEMOSA** — COHOSH BUG-BANE. White. Summer. Moist shade.
- CLINTONIA BOREALIS** — BLUEBEAD. Yellow. Shining blue fruit.
- CHELONE GLABRA** — TURTLEHEAD. White, tinted rose. Aug.-Sept. 2-4 ft.
- COCCULUS CAROLINUS** — MOONSEED. 12 ft. twining shrub. Attractive red fruit in fall.
- DELPHINIUM NUDICAULE**. Dwarf scarlet 1½ ft.
- DICENTRA EXIMIA** — FRINGED BLEEDING HEART. Heart shaped, pink flowers. Apr.-Sept.
- DICENTRA FORMOSA** — WESTERN BLEEDING-HEART. Rose colored flowers. Apr.-Sept.
- DODECATHEON MEADIA** — SHOOTING STAR. Showy pink flowers, late spring on 1 - 1½ ft. stalks.
- ERIGERON COMPOSITUS**. Woolly grey 2 in. tufts. Lavender flowers. Summer.....**.50**
- ERYNGIUM LEAVENWORTHII**. Foliage turns violet-purple in autumn. 3 ft.
- EUONYMUS AMERICANUS** — STRAWBERRY-BUSH. Attractive 8 ft. shrub.
- EUPATORIUM COELESTINUM**. Light purple blue. Fall. 12-14 in.
- EUPATORIUM MACULATUM** — JOE-PYE WEED. Purple flowers in compound clusters.
- EUPHORBIA MARGINATA** — SNOW-ON-THE-MOUNTAIN. 2 ft. annual foliage plant.
- GENTIANA ANDREWSII** — CLOSED GENTIAN. Closed blue flowers in September and October. 1 - 1½ ft.
- GENTIANA ANDREWSII ALBA**. A very rare pure white form of the above.....**.50**
- GENTIANA CRINITA** — FRINGED GENTIAN. Bien. One of the choicest and most wanted blue flowers of America.....**.50**
- GENTIANA PUBERULA** — DOWNY GENTIAN. Blue funnel shaped flowers. 18 in.....**.50**
- GEUM TRIFLORUM** — PRAIRIE-SMOKE. Interesting foliage and fruit.
- HEUCHERA AMERICANA** — ALUM ROOT. Semi-evergreen mottled leaves.
- HIBISCUS MOSCHEUTOS** — ROSEMALLOW. Large light rose. 3 - 8 ft.
- HIBISCUS PALUSTRIS** — ROSEMALLOW. Seed from selected plants with waxy white or white flowers with crimson center.
- HOUSTONIA CAERULEA** — BLUET. Blue with yellow eye. 4 - 5 in.
- IRIS VERSICOLOR** — BLUEFLAG. 3 - 4 in. blue flowers. 2 - 3 ft.

- LEPACHYS PINNATA** — PRAIRIE-CONE-FLOWER. Yellow flowers. June-September. Dry sunny location. 3 - 5 ft.
- LIATRIS LIGULISTYLIS**. Smoky purple spikes in July. 1 - 1½ ft.
- LIATRIS PUNCATA**. 10-30 in. purple spikes. Aug.
- LIATRIS PYCNOSTACHYA ALBA**. Slender spikes to 4 ft.
- LIATRIS SCARIOSA** — BUTTON GAYFEATHER. Rose purple. August. 3 - 5 ft.
- LIATRIS SCARIOSA ALBA** — A white form of above.
- LIATRIS SPICATA**. — SPIKE GAYFEATHER. Rose purple. July-September. 5 - 6 ft.
- LILIUM CANADENSE FLAVUM**. — CANADA LILY. Nodding yellow bell shaped flowers. 5 ft.
- LILIUM MICHIGANENSE** — MICHIGAN LILY. Nodding orange red flowers. Recurved petals. June-July. 3 - 5 ft.
- LILIUM PHILADELPHICUM** — WOOD LILY. Erect orange scarlet flowers. June-July. 1 - 3 ft.
- LILIUM SUPERBUM** — TURKSCAP LILY. Nodding, recurved orange flowers.
- LINUM LEWISII** — PRAIRIE FLAX. Sky-blue. June-July. 2 ft.
- LOBELIA CARDINALIS** — CARDINAL FLOWER. Bright red. July-October. 3 - 5 ft.
- LOBELIA CARDINALIS**, VAR. CRAWFORDS. A hybrid of cardinalis and fulgens recrossed with cardinalis.
- LOBELIA DRESDENSIS**. A blue hybrid more compact and floriferous than siphilitica. 2 ft.
- LOBELIA SIPHILITICA** — BLUE LOBELIA. 1 in. blue flowers on 2 - 3 ft. spike.
- LOBELIA SIPHILITICA ALBA**. A rare white form of the Blue Lobelia.....50
- LOBELIA VEDARIENSIS**. Beautiful large violet purple blooms. July-Oct.....50
- LUPINUS PERENNIS** — EASTERN LUPINE. Blue flowers in spring. 1 - 2 ft.
- LYCHNIS ALPINA** — ALPINE CAMPION. Basal leaved, pink flowered arctic plant.
- MIMULUS RINGENS** — MONKEY FLOWER. 1 in. violet flowers. Late June-September. 1 - 3 ft.
- MITELLA CAULESCENS**. West coast form of miterwort. Fine massed in shade.
- MITELLA DIPHYLA**. Very effective in moist shady spot.
- MONARDA DIDYMA** — BERGAMOT. Bright red. July-Aug.
- NEMASTYLIS ACUTA** — CELESTIAL LILY. Rare bulbous plant. 6-16 in.
- NEOMAMMILLARIA SIMILIS** — NIPPLE CACTI. Yellowish or reddish tinged flowers.
- OENTHERA MISSOURIENSIS** — MISSOURI PRIMROSE. 4 in. yellow flowers. June-August.
- OPUNTIA HUMIFUSA** — PRICKLY PEAR. Spiny, thickened leaves. Yellow flowers in July.
- PARNASSIA GLAUCA** — GRASS-OF-PARNASSUS. Flowers white, veined green. July-Oct.

- PENSTEMON COBAEA, VAR. OZARK.** Large deep royal purple. 2 ft.
- PENSTEMON GRANDIFLORUS.** 2 in., white, blue, or pink flowers. June-Aug. 2 - 4 ft.
- PENSTEMON NITIDUS.** Brilliant blue dwarf. 8 in.
- PENSTEMON POLYPHYLLUS.** Sky blue. 10 in.
- RHEXIA VIRGINICA — MEADOW BEAUTY.** 1 in. purple flowers. Summer. 1 - 2 ft.
- RUDBECKIA LACINIATA — TALL CONE-FLOWER.** 2½ - 4 in. yellow flower with central cone-like disk. 2 - 7 ft.
- RUDBECKIA PURPUREA — PURPLE CONE-FLOWER.** Reddish purple cone-shaped flowers. June-October on 3 foot stems.
- RUELLIA CILIOSA — WILD PETUNIA.** 1½ in. lavender-blue flowers. Aug.-Sept.
- SANGUINARIA CANADENSIS — BLOODROOT.** Pure white flowers. April-May. 6 - 12 in.
- SARRACENIA PURPUREA — PITCHER PLANT.** Pitcher shaped hooded leaves. Bog plant.....50
- SCHRANKIA NUTTALLI — SENSITIVE BRIAR.** Very sensitive leaves. Pink. 2 - 4 ft.
- SILENE, AVALON HYBRID.** Virginica X Wherryi.
- SILENE PENNSYLVANICA —** 6 - 9 in. plants. Pink flowers in spring.
- SILENE VIRGINICA — FIRE PINK.** Bright red. Late spring or summer. 1 ft.
- SILENE WHERRYI.** Compact plant. True pink flowers. Choice.....50
- SILPHIUM PERFOLIATUM — CUP PLANT.** Yellow. 6 ft. July-August.
- SILPHIUM TEREBINITHACEUM — PRAIRIE DOCK.** Leaves basal, 1 ft. long. Flower heads 1½-3 in. across. July and Aug. A striking plant. 6 ft.....50
- SMILACINA RACEMOSA — SOLOMON PLUME.** Fluffy white flowers in spring. Speckled red berry in fall. 2 - 3 ft.
- SPIRAEA TOMENTOSA — HARDHACK.** 4 ft. shrub with pink flowers in dense panicles. July-September.
- STOKESIA LAEVIS — STOKES ASTER.** 3 - 4 in. blue or white flowers. July-August 1 - 2 ft.
- THALICTRUM POLYGAMUM — TALL MEADOW RUE.** Fine foliage. 4 - 8 ft.
- THERMOPSIS CAROLINIANA — AARONSROD.** Yellow flowers in terminal racemes. May-June. 3 - 5 ft.
- THERMOPSIS LANCEOLATA.** Bright yellow flowers. June-July 1 ft.
- TRILLIUM GRANDIFLORUM.** Finest and largest of trilliums. Pure white.
- VERBENA BIPINNATIFIDA.** Lilac. Spring until fall. 1st year from seed.
- VERBENA CANADENSIS.** Pink. Spring until fall. 1st year from seed.
- VERNONIA NOVEBORACENSIS — IRONWEED.** Purple. July-September. 3 - 6 ft.

VERONICASTRUM VIRGINICUM — **CULVERS-ROOT.** White. Late summer. 3 - 5 ft.

VIBURNUM AMERICANUM — **HIGH-BUSH CRANBERRY.** Attractive in flower, fruit and foliage. Shrub. 6 - 12 ft.

YUCCA FILAMENTOSA — **COMMON YUCCA.** Evergreen. Lily-like white flowers on 3 - 6 ft. stems in summer.

SEEDS OF OTHER PERENNIALS:

ACHILLEA UMBELLATA. Grey foliage plant for sunny spot.

ADONIS VERNALIS. Early spring golden flowers. Ferny foliage. 1 ft.

AMSONIA MONTANA. Pale blue sprays of starry flowers.

ANARRHINIUM CRASSIFOLIUM. Tiny pale blue flowers on 3 ft. spike-like racemes. Spring or summer. Rare.

ANCHUSA, LODDON ROYALIST. Large flowered, rich blue. An award of merit R.H.S. 1957.....50

AQUILEGIA FLABELLATA NANA ALBA. Dwarf white, blue-green foliage.

AQUILEGIA, McKANNA'S GIANT. All American selection in 1955.

AQUILEGIA VULGARIS ERECTA EDELWEISS. Dwarf, compact snow white.

ARENARIA VERA CAESPITOSA. Mossy foliage plant. Starry white flowers.

ASTILBE SINENSIS PUMILA. Dwarf, ferny leaved. Late blooming. Fine rose.

BELAMCANDA CHINENSIS. Orange, spotted red.

CATANANCHE, SNOW WHITE. A choice pure white.

CENTAUREA MACROCEPHALA. Showy golden yellow. July-August.

CENTAUREA MONTANA. Violet-blue. June-Sept.

CLEMATIS DAVIDIANA. 4 ft. shrubby perennial. Flowers blue, fragrant, in clustered heads.

CLEMATIS MANDSCHURICA. Fragrant white flowers in July. 3 ft.

CLEMATIS TANGUTICA. 10 ft. vine. Bright yellow flowers, late summer.

DELPHINIUM TATSIIENSE. Gentian blue. 1½ ft. Both choice and rare.....50

DIANTHUS ARENARIUS. Fringed, fragrant white flowers. 6 in.

DIANTHUS DELTOIDES, WISLEY VAR. Bright rose. Best of the deltoides.

DIANTHUS GELIDUS. Dwarf, fringed, fragrant. Pink.

DIANTHUS MYRTINERVIS. Pink flowers on thyme-like mat.

DIANTHUS NEGLECTUS COMPACTA GLAUCA. Single pink fragrant flowers on pin-cushion mound. 4 in.

DIANTHUS NOEANUS. Fringed, fragrant white flowers. July-Aug.....50

- DIANTHUS PERISTERI.** Mat forming. Small pink flowers in summer. 1 in.
- DIGITALIS AMBIGUA.** True perennial foxglove. Yellow. 2½ ft.
- DRABA CARINTHIACA.** Caespitose. 6 in. rosettes. White.
- ECHINOPS RITRO.** Soft blue globular flowers.
- ELSCHOLTZIA STAUNTONII.** 4 ft. shrub from N. China. Rose spikes. Sept.-Oct.
- EUPHORBIA POLYCHROMA.** Attractive border plant in foliage, flower and fruit.....**.50**
- GYPHOPHILA REPENS ROSEA.** Choice rockery plant.
- HELLEBORUS NIGER — CHRISTMAS ROSE.** Winter blooming. White tinged rose.
- HIERACIUM VILLOSUM.** Showy yellow flowers. Silvery leaves. Summer.....**.50**
- INCARVILLEA DELAVAYI.** Gloxinia-like rose-purple flowers.
- INULA ENSIFOLIA.** Yellow daisies on 12 - 15 in. stems. July-Aug.
- INULA, GOLDEN BEAUTY.** Golden yellow 2-3 in. in diameter. 1½-2 ft.
- IRIS SIBERICA, Mixed.** Saved from choice named varieties.
- JASIONE HUMILIS.** Blue flower heads. July-Aug. 10 in.
- LAVANDULA, HIDECLYDE Var.** Deep purple blue. Dwarf and compact.
- LEONTOPODIUM ALPINUM — EDELWEISS.** Starry flowers of white flannel.
- LEPACHYS HYBRID, MAROON AND GOLD.** Petals of gold edged maroon.
- LINARIA PURPUREA, CANON J. WENT.** Spikes of pale pink. 3 ft.
- LINUM FLAVUM.** Attractive yellow flax, blooming in summer.
- LINUM FLAVUM COMPACTUM.** A dwarf compact form.
- MALVA MOSCHEUTOS.** Naturalized. Mixed white or pink.
- ONOSMA HELVETICUM.** Sulphur yellow drooping flowers.....**.50**
- PLATYCODON SHELL PINK.** Soft pink in bloom over long period.
- POLEMONIUM CAERULEUM.** Bright blue 1-3 ft.
- POTENTILLA NEPALENSIS, MISS WILLMOT.** Bright rose.
- POTENTILLA WARRENSII.** Golden flowers all summer over dark green leaves. 2 ft.
- RUDBECKIA HIRTA HYBRIDS.** 3 - 4 in. blooms in yellow, golden, buff, chestnut red, orange, maroon and mahogany shades. July-until fall.
- SALVIA JURISICII.** Finely cut leaves. Violet flowers. June.
- SALVIA PRATENSIS.** Violet-blue, free blooming border species. 2½ ft.

SCABIOSA FISCHERI. Fluffy blue flowers 2½ in. in diameter.

SCABIOSA SCABRA. Dwarf. Lavender flowers.

SCUTELLARIA ALPINA. Violet and white. July and Aug.

SEDUM CAUTICOLUM. A choice rare sedum.....50

SEDUM SIEBOLDI. Similar to cauticolum but Larger with red edged leaves.....50

SEDUM SPECTABILE. Grey-green foliage. Pink flowers. Aug-fall. 15 in.

THALICTRUM ROCHEBRUNIANUM. Clusters of lavender flowers Aug.-Sept.

TUNICA SAXIFRAGA ALBA. Like rosea except flowers are white.

TUNICA SAXIFRAGA ROSEA. Wiry foliage studded with pink flowers. Summer and fall.

VERONICA GENTIANOIDES. 12 in. stems of pale blue flowers. May-June. Above attractive ever-green mats of leaves like gentian acaulis.

VIOLA AETOLICA SAXATILIS. Soft yellow blooms summer and fall.....50

Most items more fully described in plant list.

"SPHAGNUM MOSS FOR SEED GERMINATION"

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SPHAGNUM MOSS in ground form ready to use. Packed in Polyethylene bags which do not leak. Reclosed easily with rubber band. 1 lb., or about 1 peck. Postpaid in the U.S. for \$1.50.

PLANTING DIRECTIONS

Plant small quantities and fine seeds in flats or tin cans. We sterilize good rich soil and mix with equal volume of vermiculite (for good drainage; also, the ability of vermiculite to hold water), filling container to about 1 inch of the top. Balance of container is filled with finely milled, moistened sphagnum moss. For containers we prefer five quart cans obtained at gas stations, cut down to five inches. Holes are punched in bottom for drainage. Cover larger seeds with moss, but merely sprinkle fine seeds over the moss. For complete instructions see Leaflet No. 243, U.S.D.A. (obtained from Supt. of Documents, Washington, D.C. 5¢).

After planting, containers are set in frame outside for the benefit of the freezing and thawing so necessary to germination of many species. Should some fail to germinate the first season, hold over until the following spring.

We wish to contact persons who collect, or could collect seed of native wild flowers or other rare flowers. Seed should be properly ripened and true to name.